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SUBJECT: CSCE: DIVIDED FAMILIES

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2. WE THEREFORE ARE ESTABLISHING A REQUIREMENT FOR EMBASSIES TO SUPPLY ON A MONTHLY BASIS FIGURES ON DIVIDED FAMILIES AND BINATIONAL MARRIAGES OF WHICH THEY ARE AWARE.

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BINATIONAL MARRIAGES

TOTAL CASES RESOLVED CASES NEW CASES

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TOTAL IMMIGRANT VISAS ISSUED: --

MOSCOW ONLY:

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CASES INDIVIDUALS CASES INDIVIDUALS CASES INDIVIDUALS

NUCLEAR -- -- -- -- -- -- -- NON-NUCLEAR -- -- -- -- -- --

BINATIONAL MARRIAGES

TOTAL CASES RESOLVED CASES NEW CASES

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